The Designated Authority under the aforesaid Act, has not received (as on 5.12.96), any petition for imposition of Anti Dumping Duties on any steel product.

Scheme for rehabilitation of Displaced Textile Mill Workers in Gujarat

1776. SHRI BANGARU LAXMAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have declared any scheme for rehabilitation of displaced textile mill workers in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the main criteria of the scheme;

(c) whether Government have extended any financial assistance to Gujarat Government for rehabilitation of displaced textile mill workers;

(d) whether Gujarat Government has made any proposal for enhancement of training period for NRF beneficiaries; and

(e) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard;

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Level of Exports of Coffee

1777. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of coffee in Karnataka;

(b) the total export of coffee during 1995-96 and 1996-97;

(c) out of the total export of coffee the share of coffee exported by the Coffee Board during 1995-96 and 1996-97; and

(d) whether coffee export has improved after decontrol of coffee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH): (a) The estimated production of coffee in Karnataka during 1995-96 is 1,58,900 tonnes.

(b) The export of coffee during 1995-96 and 1996-97 is as follows:—

1995-96 — 1,70,578 tonne
1996-97 — 1,22,629 tonne
(as on 4.12.96)

(c) Nil. Coffee Board does not itself undertake any export.

(d) Yes, Sir.

Relationship between Disinvestment Commission and Government

1778. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recent statement of the Chairman of the Disinvestment Commission voicing dissatisfaction at the existing state of relationship between the Commission and the Government has been taken note of; and

(b) measures proposed to be undertaken to ensure that the Commission's services are fully utilised to serve the purpose for which is has been set up?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) The Commission was set up on 23.8.96. 40 PSUs have been referred to it and they are now looking at them.

Joint venture projects for economic development

1779. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether some joint venture projects for economic development have been set up in some States and Union Territories;

(b) if so, the details thereof separately for each State and Union Territory with